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SUBJECT: (SBU) UAE EXPECTS "POSITIVE" RESPONSE TO COPENHAGEN ACCORD

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**¶1.** (SBU) On February 10, Ambassador followed up on reftels' demarche with Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Dr. Anwar Gargash, who said the UAE is conducting its "due diligence" on the Copenhagen Accord through a dedicated committee led by Dr. Sultan Al Jaber, CEO of Masdar (Abu Dhabi Future Energy Company). Gargash said that the UAE expects to have a "positive outcome" on association shortly.

**¶2.** (SBU) A senior expatriate advisor told EconOff on February 7 that the committee had been given two weeks to review the Accord and provide a recommendation on association. He predicted the UAE would associate as early as late February, but include some comments about specific areas the UAE would like to see future negotiations address.

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